

**Senate File 28 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to combined charitable campaign programs  
2 administered by certain public employers.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 8A.432, subsection 1, Code 2021, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. The department shall establish and administer a combined  
4 charitable campaign program for state employees pursuant to  
5 the requirements set forth in sections 70A.14 and 70A.15.  
6 Administration of the combined charitable campaign program  
7 shall include allowing equal access to state officers and  
8 employees by each charitable organization that desires to  
9 participate in the charitable campaign program. Such access  
10 shall include but is not limited to distributing materials,  
11 making presentations, participating in kick-off and other  
12 charitable campaign program events, and allowing media coverage  
13 of the campaign.

14 Sec. 2. Section 70A.14, subsection 1, Code 2021, is amended  
15 to read as follows:

16 1. "*Charitable organization*" means an organization that is  
17 eligible to receive contributions which may be deducted on the  
18 contributor's Iowa individual tax return and that has been  
19 designated, ~~at the request of one hundred or more eligible~~  
20 ~~state officers and employees, or the number of employees~~  
21 ~~required by subsection 3 of this section,~~ by a responsible  
22 official of the payroll system under which the officers or  
23 employees are compensated, to receive contributions pursuant  
24 to [section 70A.15](#).

25 Sec. 3. Section 70A.14, subsection 3, Code 2021, is amended  
26 by striking the subsection.

27 Sec. 4. Section 70A.15A, Code 2021, is amended by adding the  
28 following new subsection:

29 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. An applicable public employer that  
30 authorizes deductions from the salaries or wages of its  
31 employees for payment to an eligible charitable organization  
32 shall establish and administer a combined charitable campaign  
33 program. Administration of the combined charitable campaign  
34 program shall include allowing equal access to employees of  
35 the applicable public employer by each eligible charitable

1 organization that desires to participate in the charitable  
2 campaign program. Such access shall include but is not limited  
3 to distributing materials, making presentations, participation  
4 in kick-off and other charitable campaign program events, and  
5 allowing media coverage of the campaign.

6 EXPLANATION

7 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
8 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

9 This bill requires certain public employers that provide  
10 payroll deductions from their employees' wages for payment to  
11 a charitable organization to administer a combined charitable  
12 campaign program that includes all eligible charitable  
13 organizations that wish to participate. The requirements  
14 apply to a state officer or employer, a board of directors  
15 of a school district, a community college, a county board of  
16 supervisors, or a governing body of a city.

17 The combined charitable campaign program must allow equal  
18 access to employees of the state officer or other public  
19 employer by each eligible charitable organization that desires  
20 to participate in the charitable campaign program; such access  
21 shall include but is not limited to distributing materials,  
22 making presentations, participation in kick-off and other  
23 charitable campaign program events, and allowing media coverage  
24 of the campaign.

25 The bill also eliminates requirements that a charitable  
26 organization can participate in the combined charitable  
27 campaign program for state officers or employees only if a  
28 specified number of state officers or employees has chosen that  
29 organization to receive contributions.